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SUBJECT: TROPICAL PRODUCTS: NEXT STEPS

REF: (A) STATE 48304, (B) MTN GENEVA 1329

1. LDC BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS: US MTN DEL WISHES TO COMPLETE FIRST ROUND OF BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS ON TROPICAL PRODUCTS WITH MOST IMPORTANT LDCS WELL IN ADVANCE OF MAY 15 (DATE FOR GENERAL CIRCULATION OF TROPICAL PRODUCTS OFFERS) AS POSSIBLE. SUBSTANTIAL LEAD TIME NECESSARY IF WE ARE TO RECEIVE LDC REACTIONS TO THE CONTRIBUTIONS US SEEKING FROM THEM AS WELL AS TO THE OFFERS WE ARE PREPARED TO MAKE.

WE BELIEVE MORE THAN THIRTY DAYS WILL GENERALLY BE NECESSARY FOR GENEVA LDC DELS TO OBTAIN GUIDANCE

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FROM CAPTIALS. THIS TIMETABLE DICTATES CONDUCTING

FIRST ROUND OF BILATERALS BETWEEN MARCH 22 AND APRIL 9.
WE WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN SCHEDULING SESSIONS ASAP,
BUT BEFORE DOING SO WISH TO BE ASSURED THAT WE WILL HAVE
MATERIALS NECESSARY TO IDENTIFY THE SPECIFIC CONTRIBUTIONS WE WILL
BE SEEKING FROM THEM. TO ASSIST WASHINGTON AGENCIES
IN PREPARING THIS INFO, WE ARE PROPOSING BILATERAL
CONSULTATIONS IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER: BRAZIL, PHILIPPINES,
MEXICO, KOREA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, IRAN, INDIA, SPAIN,
MALAYSIA, NIGERIA, ARGENTINA, THAILAND, PORTUGAL, AND
YUGOSLAVIA. PROMPTLY AFTER RECEIPT OF CONFIRMATION FROM
WASHINGTON THAT WE WILL BE PREPARED FOR THE SESSIONS,
MTN DEL WILL SCHEDULE THE MEETINGS. WE WILL NEED
WASHINGTON INSTRUCTIONS FOR THESE CONSULTATIONS AT LEAST
A WEEK IN ADVANCE OF EACH CONSULTATION.

2. DC CONSULTATIONS: WE HOPE WASHINGTON WILL ALSO BE
ABLE TO PROVIDE US, BEFORE THE MARCH 22 PLANNED COMMENCEMENT
OF BILATERAL LDC CONSULTATIONS, INFO ON CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE
SOUGHT FROM DCS BENEFITING INDIRECTLY FROM US TROPICAL PRODUCTS
OFFERS (EC, JAPAN, CANADA AND AUSTRALIA).

3. DEPTH OF CUT: WE WILL NEED GUIDANCE FROM WASHINGTON
AS TO THE DEPTH OF CUT WHICH CAN BE MADE ON ITEMS
INCLUDED IN TROPICAL PRODUCTS OFFER SINCE THE HEAD
NOTE IN OUR OFFER FORMAT DID NOT DISCLOSE THE EXTEND TO WHICH WE
ARE PREPARED TO CONSIDER MAKING CUTS.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: IN ADDITION TO FOREGOING, WE
REQUEST RESPONSE TO PARAS 4 & 6 OF REFTTEL (B)
AND REQUEST WASHINGTON POUCH DEC '74 FT 990 AND DEC '75 FT
990 AS SOON AS IT IS AVAILABLE. WALKER

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